Table 4 **HOMICIDE CRIMES, 1996-2005**By Age of Victim Number, Percent, and Rate per 100,000 Population

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Age of victim	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	Percent change		
											1996-		
											2005	2004-	
Total													
Number of victims	2,910	2,579	2,170	2,006	2,074	2,201	2,392	2,402	2,394	2,503	-14.0	4.6	
Percent of victims	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Population	32,383,000	32,957,000	33,494,000	34,036,000	34,480,000	34,758,000	35,301,000	35,934,000	36,590,814	37,004,661	14.3	1.1	
Percent of population	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%			
Rate	9.0	7.8	6.5	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.8	6.7	6.5	6.8	-24.4	4.6	
Under 18													
Number of victims	421	361	306	276	246	252	247	240	269	285	-32.3	5.9	
Percent of total victims.	14.5%	14.0%	14.1%	13.8%	11.9%	11.4%	10.3%	10.0%	11.2%	11.4%			
Population	9,456,115	9,701,218	9,426,168	9,587,332	9,770,687	9,932,913	10,095,903	10,248,237	9,575,520	9,620,511	1.7	0.5	
Percent of population	27.9%	28.3%	28.1%	28.1%	28.2%	28.2%	28.2%	28.2%	26.3%	26.1%			
Rate	4.5	3.7	3.2	2.9	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.8	3.0	-33.3	7.1	
18-29													
Number of victims	1,183	1,068	933	840	888	992	1,098	1,100	1,110	1,151	-2.7	3.7	
Percent of total victims.	40.7%	41.4%	43.0%	41.9%	42.8%	45.1%	45.9%	45.8%	46.4%	46.0%			
Population	5,770,311	5,537,727	5,474,990	5,511,604	5,523,472	5,555,926	6,123,037	5,740,606	6,160,386	6,260,103	8.5	1.6	
Percent of population	17.0%	16.1%	16.3%	16.2%	15.9%	15.8%	17.1%	15.8%	16.9%	17.0%			
Rate	20.5	19.3	17.0	15.2	16.1	17.9	17.9	19.2	18.0	18.4	-10.2	2.2	
30-39													
Number of victims	630	534	428	364	377	426	449	486	446	473	-24.9	6.1	
Percent of total victims.	21.6%	20.7%	19.7%	18.1%	18.2%	19.4%	18.8%	20.2%	18.6%	18.9%			
Population	5,968,805	5,942,241	5,654,098	5,629,424	5,597,411	5,535,620	4,994,720	5,384,170	5,534,220	5,516,751	-7.6	-0.3	
Percent of population	17.6%	17.3%	16.9%	16.5%	16.2%	15.7%	14.0%	14.8%	15.2%	15.0%			
Rate	10.6	9.0	7.6	6.5	6.7	7.7	9.0	9.0	8.1	8.6	-18.9	6.2	
40 and over													
Number of victims	636	580	480	505	534	519	579	560	569	579	-9.0	1.8	
Percent of total victims.	21.9%	22.5%	22.1%	25.2%	25.7%	23.6%	24.2%	23.3%	23.8%	23.1%			
Population	12,668,408	13,114,015	12,951,150	13,344,118	13,761,825	14,208,876	14,588,578	14,990,489	15,106,285	15,456,859	22.0	2.3	
Percent of population	37.4%	38.2%	38.7%	39.2%	39.7%	40.3%	40.7%	41.2%	41.5%	41.9%			
Rate	5.0	4.4	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.7	4.0	3.7	3.8	3.7	-26.0	-2.6	
Unknown													
Number of victims	40	36	23	21	29	12	19	16	0	15	_	_	
Percent of total victims.	1.4%	1.4%	1.1%	1.0%	1.4%	0.5%	0.8%	0.7%	0.0%	0.6%			
Population	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	_	
Percent of population	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Rate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

Notes: Percentages may not add to 100.0 because of rounding.
Rates are based on annual population estimates provided by the Demographic Research Unit, California Department of Finance.
Rates are calculated using the population for each subgroup shown; therefore, they will not add to the rate calculated for the total population.
Population breakdowns by age will not add to total because of variations in population source data.
Dash indicates that the percent of population and rate for the "unknown" category cannot be calculated because there are no unknown age population data.
The "percent of population" category for age group was calculated using the sum of the age populations.